analyze information from the tags to determine the current location of a user; and

provide information about the route of travel from the user's current position to a requested destination.

Please amend claim 21 as follows:

21 (Twice Amended). A system comprising:

a ~~plurality~~ of wireless tags;

a wireless sensor associated with a user;

a processor associatable with a user; and

a storage coupled to said processor to determine the user's current position based on information from said tags, and to provide a route to a requested destination from the user's current position.

REMARKS

The depending claims were rejected based on Komatsu. The Examiner contends that Komatsu provides an indication of the path of travel of the user.

However, as amended, the claims call for determining a future path to travel from the user's current position determined by the tags and the sensors to a requested destination. No such feature is anywhere to be found in Komatsu.

In view of these remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1 (Twice Amended). A method comprising:

positioning a plurality of wireless tags around a facility;

providing a sensor associated with a [user] tag to sense the tags to determine the position of the user in the facility; and

[obtaining information about the route and direction of travel of a user through the facility] providing a route from the user's current position to a requested destination through said facility.

Please amend claim 11 as follows:

11 (Twice Amended). An article comprising a medium storing instructions that enable a processor-based system to:

receive information from a plurality of wireless tags distributed about a facility;

analyze information from the tags to determine the current location of a user; and

[obtain] provide information about the route [and direction of travel of the user through the facility] of travel from the user's current position to a requested destination.

Please amend claim 21 as follows:

21 (Twice Amended). A system comprising:

a plurality of wireless tags;

a wireless sensor associated with a user;

a processor associatable with a user; and

a storage coupled to said processor to determine the user's current position based on information from said tags, [said processor tracks the direction and movement of said user] and to provide a route to a requested destination from the user's current position.